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Amendments to the Claims

1. - 30. (cancelled)

31. (previously presented) A textile treatment bath composition for pre-treating a cellulosic, or cellulosic blends with synthetic fiber, substrate prior to dyeing comprising:

at least 90% water;

a non-foaming scouring/wetting agent;

a first activating compound formed of a mixture of urea and copper gluconate;

optionally, a second activating compound selected of a pigment;

caustic soda; and

hydrogen peroxide;

wherein said textile treatment bath composition starts with a slightly alkaline pH.

32. (previously presented) A textile treatment bath composition according to claim 31, wherein said second activating compound is a pigment selected from pigmented Sulfur Black 1 with a particle size less than 150 μ m, titanium dioxide with a particle size less than 150 μ m, fully pre-oxidized sulfur dyes, and combinations thereof.

33. (cancelled)

34. (cancelled)

35. (cancelled)

36. (cancelled)

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37. (cancelled)

38. (cancelled)

39. (previously presented) A textile treated with the textile treatment bath composition of claim 31, wherein the textile is selected from the group consisting of cellulosic textiles and cellulosic blends with synthetic fiber textiles.

40. through 50. (cancelled)